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| Application No. 10/760,481 | Filing Date January 21, 2004 | Examiner A. T. Cao | Art Unit 2652 | | |
| Applicant(s): Masafumi Kimura et al. | | | | | |
| Invention: LOADING MECHANISM AND RECORDING AND REPRODUCTION APPARATUS INCLUDING THE SAME | | | | | |
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| Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. | | | | | |
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Examiner: A. Cao

RESPONSE TO EX PARTE QUAYLE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed January 27, 2006, and in accordance with practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, please amend the above-identified U.S. application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.